



Eastcote Park Estate Association

<http://www.eastcoteparkestate.org.uk>

Newsletter– APRIL 2017

Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 3rd May 2017 at 7.30 pm

Formal notice of the AGM is circulated with this newsletter, on page 4, together with the nomination form for new committee members and the agenda.

The meeting will take place in the Elsie Fischer room at the rear of the car park to St. Lawrence Church, Eastcote. Please note this date and time. Please also remember that, whilst an agenda is circulated (on page 4), residents can bring up other items under “any other business”. It is therefore important to attend if you want to be involved in any decisions made.

Minutes of last year’s meeting are available on our website under “about EPEA”.

Front Garden Competition

Front Gardens will be judged again this year. Judging will take place during July and August. Not everyone can be a winner but thanks to all those who make our estate so good to walk around. Should any previous year’s winners have photographs they would be happy to be included in the EPEA newsletter please send them to Martin Hand (preferably by email).

Subscriptions

A significant number of residents have already paid their 2017 subscription direct to the treasurer. Road Stewards have now received lists of those who had paid by 3.3.17 and are currently collecting from those who have not paid. Subscription remains at £3.00 for each residence but we also invite a donation which will be for The Acorn Youth Club. You should have paid you subscription before the AGM in order to vote on any matters.

The Case is Altered

For information we note that “The Case” is closed for refurbishment.

Easter Egg Hunt

The 2017 Easter Egg Hunt will take place on Easter Sunday as usual.



Willow Head will be organising the event again this year. We would appreciate others coming forward to assist. Should you be able to help out please contact Willow. All help will be gratefully received to ensure this ever popular event continues.

Planned date and time:

SUNDAY 16th April 2017 at : 2.30pm

PLACE: EASTCOTE HOUSE GARDENS IN FRONT OF THE STABLES BUILDING.

Please contact Willow Head (0771 457 3269) if you would like a ticket to participate in the hunt.

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MICHAEL SOBELL HOSPICE — 2017 EVENTS

For more information and details of other events please see

<http://www.michaelsobellhospice.co.uk/product-category/events/>

Address: Michael Sobell Hospice, Mount Vernon Hospital , Northwood, Middlesex HA6 2RN
(Sat. Nav. users use postcode WD3 1PZ)



It was year 2000 when our association last had Michael Sobell Hospice as its nominated charity but we are happy to advise residents of their events. Please see summary information below (copied from their web site). For more information check their website or email mshevents@michaelsobellhospice.co.uk or call 020 3826 2367. The hospice celebrates its 40th birthday this year having opened on valentine's day in 1977.

Plant Sale - Saturday 6th May 2017 - 10.00am to 12.00pm

Pick up plants, flowers, bulbs, bedding and much more at our annual Plant Sale held in the gardens of Michael Sobell Hospice. Come along and bag a bargain or two! Refreshments available on the day.

On Your Bike - Sunday 14th May 2017 - 8.00am (registration from 7.30am)

40 miles for 40 years – that's the challenge for this year's annual bike ride!

Ladies In The Night - Friday 16th June 2017 (10pm start. Check in from 8.00pm)

Join us for our annual walk with a special disco fever theme in celebration of 40 years of Michael Sobell Hospice.

September Walk - Sunday 24th September (9.00am start)

Join our annual sponsored walk and help raise vital funds for Michael Sobell Hospice in its 40th year. The 7-mile walk will take you through the beautiful countryside and canal around Northwood and Moor Park. Online entry will open after April.

Whilst the above has been copied from the hospice website do please check all details with Michael Sobell as they may change subsequent to this newsletter.

Celebration Dinner:

One of our residents has reminded us of the dinners we had in the past. The most recent was in 1997 to celebrate 60 years of the Association. The suggestion was made that we should have another to mark the 80th anniversary of the Association.



The last dinner was at the Batchworth Golf club with around 100 residents attending. Should there be sufficient interest, the committee will consider organising such an event.

If there is sufficient interest, we would look to a date around mid September to mid November. The likely price is in the £30 to £35 range excluding drinks and any transport.

Should you believe this is something you would be interested in attending please email all.hands@blueyonder.co.uk or drop a note into 33 St Lawrence Drive to advise your interest. Please advise your name, address and how many places you would be interested in should we go ahead.

We will collate responses received by 30th April 2017 to decide whether to keep this on our agenda.

The EPEA Committee members are:

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Message from The Friends Of Eastcote House Gardens (FoEHG).

web site: www.eastcotehousegardens.weebly.com

Currently the Volunteers gardeners are making improvements to the boundary hedges. In places Cherry Laurel, native to Turkey, has been allowed to 'go wild'. This type of laurel spreads by suckers. Cherry Laurel contains within its leaves and soft growth cyanide, this is why you rarely see insect damage to the leaves, or find birds' nests within the shrubs. Cuttings should not be put into a compost heap. Therefore this plant does not help wild life in any way, the vigorous growth takes all the nutrients from the soil, smothers and eventually kills off other plants nearby.

The areas already cleared have been replanted with a wide variety of shrubs that will give colour to the gardens all year round, from early blossoms to late berries and leaf colour in the autumn. These shrubs will attract wildlife, nectar for butterflies and berries for the birds and small mammals.

The clearance and replanting will take another one to two years to complete as we can only work in these areas when birds are not nesting.

Gardening Sessions:

1st ,& 2nd Fridays and 3rd Thursday of each month starting at 9.30am. 4th Thursday Country side Conservation, working in Long Meadow. Gardening is also available.

Diary dates for 2017 up to September:

Saturday 6th May:

Tree Walk starting at 2pm, duration 1.5 hours.

Saturday 3rd June:

Summer Picnic & Dog Show 11am-4pm

Saturday 10th June:

Secondhand Book Sale & Plant Sale 11am-2pm

Late June/early July: (dates to be confirmed)

Archaeological Dig

Saturday 19th August:

Secondhand Book Sale 11am-2pm

Sunday 17th September:

London Open House & Classic Car Rally 11am-4pm

Neighbourhood Watch



There have been a number of residents who have CCTV footage in recent weeks of a person trying car doors late at night. Any car door left inadvertently unlocked makes easy picking for this person. Do be extra careful in ensuring your car doors are locked.

It may be holiday time before our next newsletter. Do let your neighbours know when you will be away. If we all look out for each other it should help keep our properties safe. Consider, with neighbours agreement, watering their pot plants or cutting front garden grass if you have the lawn mower out. You could even park your car in their drive if there is more than one in you family.

We mentioned in our October 2016 newsletter the high risk of online scams and frauds. One suggestion to help spot spam email is to hover your mouse over the email address at which it appears to come from. This sometimes reveals that it comes from a different address than it initially appears to. One serious application of deceptive emails has been where fraudsters have sent email which initially appears to come from a solicitor dealing with a home purchase giving bank details for a deposit. The home purchase deposit has been known to be sent to the fraudsters never to be seen again.

Message from our newsletter sponsor

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Having sponsored the Association's newsletter since 2008 we are keen to assist you in the sale or letting of your property and would welcome the opportunity to discuss any of your property needs. Please contact your local Eastcote office on:

Tel: 020 8866 6663

EASTCOTE PARK ESTATE ASSOCIATION

Notice of the 78th AGM of the Eastcote Park Estate Association:

Date and time: Wednesday 3rd May 2017 **to start at 7.30 pm**

Place : Elsie Fischer room at the rear of the car park to St. Lawrence Church, Eastcote.
The Committee looks forward to welcoming as many residents as possible to the AGM and especially new members to the community.

AGENDA

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| 1. Welcome and apologies for absence | Chairman |
| 2. Minutes of the 77th AGM | Secretary |
| 3. Matters arising from the minutes | Chairman |
| 4. Donations for 2018 | Chairman |
| 5. Chairman's report | Chairman |
| 6. Social Events | Chairman |
| 7. Adoption of the accounts | Treasurer |
| 8. Neighbourhood Watch report | Chris Head |
| 9. Election of Committee | Secretary |
| 10. Election of Auditors | Secretary |
| 11. Any Other Business | Chairman |

The Committee will be pleased to meet with everyone socially over tea and coffee after conclusion of formal business. Please bring this agenda and a copy of the minutes of the previous AGM with you to the meeting. Copies are available on the website:

<http://>

www.eastcoteparkestate.org.uk

In the "about EPEA section"

Please take note that residents may vote on any items raised under any other business not specifically recorded in the Agenda concerning the estate and all are encouraged to attend.

EPEA COMMITTEE NOMINATIONS

The Committee of the Eastcote Park Estate Association manages the affairs of the Association and is elected each year at the AGM. The Committee consists of the officers i.e. Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer plus seven elected members making a total of ten.

CURRENT OFFICERS

Chairman: Gerry Edwards 24 Rodney Gardens
Secretary: Richard Maude 41 St Lawrence Drive
Treasurer: Martin Hand 33 St Lawrence Drive

CURRENT COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Ashe Dhir	Dovecot Close
Chris Head	Burwood Avenue
Mark Lemon	St Lawrence Drive
Margaret Bacon	Pamela Gardens
Margaret Ross	Rodney Gardens
Peter Ryder	St Lawrence Drive
Sam Wren	The Glen

More Committee members are welcome to assist with running of the Association. Any member whose subscription is paid up may stand for election. Nominations should be in writing and must be received by the Secretary 7 days before the AGM. They must include the written consent of the nominee plus a proposer and seconder (only one per household) who are paid up members of the Association.

Please note that nominations can only be made at the AGM if insufficient numbers are received beforehand.

Nomination Form – Eastcote Park Estate Association Committee

Name address and signature of Nominee.....

Name address and signature of Proposer.....

Name address and signature of Secunder.....